

AMENDMENTS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. - 11. (Canceled)
12. (New) An apparatus removably attached to a substantially cylindrical container for liquid material comprising:
 - a. a means adapted to adopt a substantially elongated configuration, wherein the means is at least one of a straw or an agitator; and,
 - b. a means adapted to adopt a substantially plane configuration, wherein each of the means is attached to the container such that one or both of the means can be selectively removed from the container and when each of the means is attached to the container, each is in a configuration substantially along a circumference of the container to permit stacking of a like container having a like attached apparatus.
13. (New) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the container comprises a bottom and a wall extending from the bottom and terminating in a rim that defines a cylindrical opening.
14. (New) The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially elongated configuration is formed from a plastic material and presents a closed or C-shaped cross-section.
15. (New) The apparatus according to claim 14 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially elongated configuration is pre-stressed to present a closed or C-shaped cross-section.

16. (New) The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially plane configuration is formed from a sheet of plastic material.
17. (New) The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially elongated configuration includes a locking means.
18. (New) The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially elongated configuration are engaged with locking means.
19. (New) The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially elongated configuration includes hooks.
20. (New) The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially elongated configuration includes a deformable section.
21. (New) The apparatus according to claim 20 wherein the deformable section includes an accordion-like structure.
22. (New) The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially plane configuration includes an information support.
23. (New) The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially plane configuration presents a shape corresponding to the container.
24. (New) The apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially plane configuration is pre-stressed to present a shape corresponding to the container.
25. (New) A liquid container in the shape of a cylindrical cup equipped with an apparatus according to claim 12.

26. (New) The container according to claim 25 wherein the container is formed from a material identical to the material of at least a portion of the apparatus.
27. (New) The container according to claim 26 wherein the container and apparatus are formed as a single piece.
28. (New) The container to claim 25 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially elongated configuration is attached to an upper edge of the container.
29. (New) The container to claim 25 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially plane configuration is attached to an upper edge of the container.
30. (New) The container to claim 28 wherein the means adapted to adopt a substantially plane configuration is attached to an upper edge of the container.
31. (New) An apparatus for a substantially cylindrical container for liquid material that includes a bottom and a wall extending from the bottom to define a cylindrical opening, the apparatus comprising:
 - a. a straw removably attached to the container substantially along a circumference of the container and configured to adopt a substantially elongated configuration; and,
 - b. a protective sheet removably attached to the container substantially along the circumference of the container means and configured to adopt a substantially plane configuration,
wherein each of the straw and the sheet is attached to the container such that one or both of the straw and sheet can be selectively removed from the container and when each of the straw and the sheet is attached to the container, each is in a configuration substantially along the circumference of the container to permit stacking of a like container having a like attached apparatus.